GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

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CENTRES FOR PROCUREMENT OF PADDY
Mohale Shri Punnulal

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to open additional centres for the procurement of paddy during the coming kharif season in the country particularly in Chhattisgarh;

(b) if so, the Statewise details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

(a),(b)&(c): The Government proposes to open adequate purchase centers for the procurement of paddy on Minimum Support Price during the coming Kharif Marketing Season in consultation with the FCI and State Governments to ensure that there is no distress sale by the farmers. Similarly, States who have opted for the Decentralised Procurement Scheme, including Chattisgarh, will take necessary action to open procurement centers as per requirement